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1. 🔀 This communication is responsive to Amendment 11-8-04	and Examiner's Amendment 1-20-05	<u>5</u> .	
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-13</u> .		•	
3. \boxtimes The drawings filed on <u>22 July 2003</u> are accepted by the Ex	aminer.		
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority una) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the: 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONM THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submained in the including changes required by the Notice of Draftspers 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examined Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1 each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in to the deponant of the paper No./Mail Date DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deponant of the deponant of the paper No./Mail Paner or such as the deponant of the paper No./Mail Date	e been received. e been received in Application No cuments have been received in this of this communication to file a reply IENT of this application. iitted. Note the attached EXAMINER es reason(s) why the oath or declara ist be submitted. ist on's Patent Drawing Review (PTO- s Amendment / Comment or in the Co. 84(c)) should be written on the drawin he header according to 37 CFR 1.121(c) sit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL re	national stage application of the front (not the d). must be submitted.	quirements
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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Grove on 28 January 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, line 13, prior to "holes" inserted --axially spaced--;

Claim 10, line 17, prior to "holes" inserted --axially spaced--;

Canceled claim 14.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Flemming Saether whose telephone number is 703-308-0182. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Judy Swann can be reached on 703-306-4115. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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